



JACK DOYLE MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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DOYLE ANNOUNCES SELECTION FOR NEW PARKS DIRECTOR

County Executive Jack Doyle today announced that he is nominating Frank X. Allkofer to be the next Monroe County Parks Director. Allkofer is the current Director of Parks & Recreation for the Town of Gates.

"Frank Allkofer is a dynamic, high-energy and creative parks professional who brings thirty-one years of park and recreation experience to his new role as Monroe County Parks Director," said Doyle. "I have great faith that Frank will reach out to our many partners throughout the county's nearly 12,000 acre park system and continue our strong tradition of providing extensive passive and active recreation opportunities to the residents of Monroe County."

Allkofer has been Director of Parks & Recreation for the Town of Gates since 1970. He previously worked in the City of Rochester's Bureau of Parks and Recreation as a recreation supervisor. In addition to his "hands-on" experience, he holds a Masters of Science Degree in Public Administration and a Bachelor of Science Degree, with a major in Recreation and Parks and Health Science, both from SUNY Brockport.

Augmenting his educational background, Allkofer is a member of The Genesee Valley Recreation and Parks Society, the New York State Recreation and Park Society, and the National Recreation and Park Association and additionally holds professional approvals and certifications from each of these organizations. He is a member of the SUNY Brockport Curriculum Advisory Committee (Department of Recreation and Leisure), the Monroe County Youth Services Quality Council and is a Commissioner of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation.

"I look forward to working with County Executive Doyle and the residents of Monroe County to ensure that our great parks system remains one of the finest in the nation," said Allkofer. "As a career park professional, the opportunity to direct a world-class system like that in Monroe County is the fulfillment of a life-long dream. I have always believed that parks and recreation are an important quality of life component in every community and I remain committed to maximizing these resources at the best value to our taxpayers."

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From 1967-68, Allkofer was in the United States Army and served in the Republic of South Vietnam. Allkofer is a life-long resident of the Town of Gates and is actively involved in the community as a member of St. Theodore' Parish, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Doud Post of the American Legion.

Doyle will submit his nomination to the County Legislature for consideration and confirmation and anticipates Allkofer starting in his new capacity as Monroe County Parks Director on Monday, December 4, 2000.

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